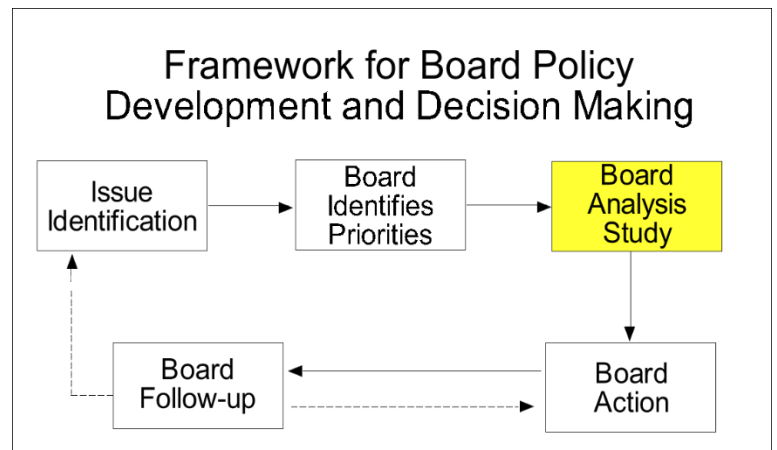


# Iowa State Board of Education

## Executive Summary

June 8-9, 2017



**Agenda Item:** Regional Planning Partnership (RPP) Update and Conversation

**Iowa Goal(s):** Individuals will pursue postsecondary education in order to drive economic success, and all PK-12 students will achieve at a high level.

**State Board Role/Authority:** This update is presented for information only as the State Board provides leadership and advocacy for the education system in Iowa.

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**Attachment(s):** None

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the State Board hear and discuss this information.

**Background:** Division II of House File (HF) 2392 (Iowa Acts Chapter 1108), was based upon the recommendations of the Secondary Career and Technical Education (CTE) Task Force, information and review of which was presented to the State Board periodically over the last two years.

A key feature of HF 2392 is the establishing of RPPs across the state. Convened jointly by the area education agency chiefs and the community college presidents, discussions about RPP establishment have included representation from individual school districts, community college administration, teachers and faculty within each service area, intermediary networks, and other stakeholders. Across the state, 15 RPPs

have either been established or are completing the establishment process.

Each RPP will develop a multi-year plan, within which the following are addressed: (a) a process and review of **all** CTE programs; (b) determine the uses of allocated funds as laid out in the proposed 281 Iowa Administrative Code Chapter 46; and (c) design the development of a system of centers within the region.

The overall goal of the RPPs is to ensure that high-quality CTE is made available and accessible to all middle and high school students in Iowa without regard to geography, student selectivity, and socioeconomic status.